



CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
DEPARTMENT OF TOXIC SUBSTANCES CONTROL

STATEWIDE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES, INCORPORATED (SES)
HAZARDOUS WASTE FACILITY

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF A DRAFT
CLOSURE PLAN**

The California Environmental Protection Agency, Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC), is requesting public comment on the Draft Closure Plan and proposed Negative Declaration for the Statewide Environmental Services, Inc. facility (SES). If approved, the finalized Closure Plan describes how the SES facility will be cleaned up and closed. The public comment period begins on February 9, 2000 and ends on March 17, 2000. Written comments must be postmarked by March 17, 2000 and sent to:

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1011 North Glendale Avenue
Glendale, CA 91201

On September 25, 1999, DTSC informed the community of preliminary sampling at SES. Preliminary sampling activities that were planned were not implemented by SES and will be implemented after approval and as part of the closure plan.

A public hearing will be held on Saturday, March 11, 2000. The public hearing will be held at Athens Park in the community room beginning at 11:00 a.m. Athens Park is at 12603 South Broadway in Los Angeles, California. The purpose of the public hearing is to receive oral and written comments. Before making a final determination, DTSC will review and respond to all submitted comments in writing. All those submitting comments and those who make a written request to the address above will receive a copy of the Response to Comments. A copy of the Response to Comments will be placed in the information repositories listed in this fact sheet.

SES, and its predecessor R&R Industrial Waste Haulers have been operating as a hazardous waste storage, transfer, and bulking facility since 1973. SES sought a hazardous waste permit in 1990. The permit application was denied in August of 1998. SES appealed the decision and the appeal was rejected in May of 1999. SES stopped accepting hazardous waste, began removing all existing waste, and washed and scrubbed the concrete slab at the facility by August 1, 1999.

Activities in the Draft Closure Plan include soil gas sampling, soil sampling and concrete slab washing and sampling. The purpose of the soil gas sampling is to determine if any hazardous waste stored at SES was released to the soil such as organic compounds and chlorinated solvents. The soil investigation will look for metals and organic compounds such as polychlorinated biphenyls and pesticides. The washing will entail high-pressure steam cleaning equipment. Rinse water from the steam cleaning will be collected for off-site disposal.

In accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA), an Initial Study was prepared to evaluate potential environmental impacts that may result from the implementation of the Draft Closure Plan. DTSC has determined that the proposed closure activities are unlikely to produce any significant impacts on the environment. Therefore, DTSC has proposed a Negative Declaration for SES.

Copies of the Draft Closure Plan, the proposed CEQA Negative Declaration and Initial Study, and other site-related documents are in the information repositories located at:

A.C. Bilbrew Library
150 West El Segundo Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90061
Attn. Fannie Love
(310) 538-3350

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If you have questions or have additional information please contact Richard Allen, Project Manager, DTSC Glendale Office at (818) 551-2924 or Randy Sturgeon, Public Participation Specialist at (916) 255-3649 (collect calls accepted).